

**REMARKS**

In response to the pending Office Action, Applicant has amended claims 14, 15, 17 and 18 and cancelled claim 25 so as to overcome the § 112 rejections and to clarify the intended subject matter of the present invention. Claim 14 was amended to incorporate the limitations of claim 25. Support for claims 15, 17 and 18 may be found in original claim 25. Furthermore, the title has been amended to clearly indicate the invention to which the claims are directed. No new matter has been added. Entry of the foregoing amendment is respectfully requested.

Applicant notes with appreciation the indication of allowable subject matter being recited by claim 25. Claim 25 was objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent format including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. As rejected claim 14 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of claim 25, thereby rendering claim 14, and all dependent claims thereon, allowable, it is respectfully submitted that all pending claims are patentable over the cited prior art.

Having responded to all open issues set forth in the Office Action, it is respectfully submitted that all claims are in condition for allowance.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper,

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including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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